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Transmitted herewith is (1) Response to July 3, 2002 Office Action, including an Appendix, three Exhibits, and a certified copy of priority document EP 97202434.3; (2) Petition for Extension of Time; and (3) a check in the amount of \$55 in payment of the extension fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee due or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

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